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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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## Commissioner:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, and in accordance with the provisions in the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure §§ 609 and  $707.05 (b), enclosed is FORM\,PTO-1449\,listing\,the\,references\,that\,are\,known\,to\,Applicant.\,A\,copy$ of each listed reference is enclosed.

It is respectfully requested that the listed references be considered in the examination of this application and identified on the list of references cited on the patent issuing for this application. Applicant also requests that an initialed copy of FORM PTO-1449 be entered in the application file and returned to Applicant with the next communication from the Office in accordance with MPEP § 609.

Respectfully submitted,

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